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Open House

Energy Department Offering A Look At Weldon Spring Cleanup Site

The U.S. Energy Department will hold an open house at the Weldon Spring cleanup site from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Exhibits, explanations of the cleanup and bus tours of the former uranium-processing plant will be available.

The open house is the first in at least five years, said Jim McKee, community relations manager for the cleanup effort.

"This will be perfectly safe as long as visitors follow our directions," McKee said.

McKee noted that several large "process buildings" are scheduled to be torn down early next year.

"We thought some of the residents of the area might want to see the buildings before we begin to dismantle them," he said.

The plant was run by Mallinckrodt Chemical Works for the old U.S. Atomic Energy Commission from 1955 to 1966. For the past five years, workers have sought to stabilize the site and clean up hazardous wastes.

The site is at 7295 Highway 94 South, about two miles south of U.S. Highway 40-61.